

BABIES MORE LIKELY
TO DIE THAN SOLDIERS

It is safer to be a soldier in the trenches than a baby in a cradle, according to figures quoted by the women's auxiliary committee, Minnesota commission of public safety, council of national defense.

"While the death rate of men in the trenches is about 2 per cent per annum, the death rate of babies under 1 year in Minnesota is 7 per cent," says a recent report from the committee. "Thus it will be seen that it is safer to be a fighting man at the front than to be a young baby."

How Soldier Was Wedded by Wire

Private Homer T. Orrick, of De Soto, Kan., was married in Camp Mills, N. Y., by telegraph to Miss Goldie L. Carden, of Lenape, Kan.

With an officiating clergyman and witnesses at each end of the wire, all parts of the marriage ceremony were sent by wire and repeated to the principals by the clergymen.

The bride's sister, in Kansas, then placed a wedding ring on her finger, and on Long Island the best man did likewise for the bridegroom.

The ceremony ended by the bride and bridegroom placing their hands on duplex telegraph keys, 1,800 miles apart, which corresponded to their taking each other's hands.

The bride's clergyman was the Rev. F. L. Streeter, a Baptist minister of Armourdale, Kan., and the bridegroom's was the Rev. S. L. Curtice, rector of the First Methodist church of Hempstead, L. I.

The marriage telegraph tolls were \$5.37.—Springfield Republican.

Ed Hopkins, Von Todisman, Alvin Floreth and D. O. Stone left this morning for a week's fishing trip on James river.

An item in The Times reporting that Doyle Burkhart was visiting at home is a mistake. Doyle is on board a battleship working as storekeeper. He has made one voyage across the Atlantic.

Cassville and Flat Creek township citizens have ordered a service flag, which will contain 84 stars, representing young men from their township now serving in the army and navy.

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A. CRAMER
Pelee City, Mo.DRIVE STARTED HERE FOR
MEN TO ENLIST IN NAVY

"Keep the Road to France Open" Is Object of Campaign—Great Opportunities Offered Now.

Word has been received from the Missouri naval recruiting division, with headquarters at St. Louis, Lieut. F. M. Willson commanding, that 50 naval recruits are wanted from Monett and vicinity, during a special quick campaign to be conducted here early next week by a traveling party.

Lieut. Willson explained that "the drive comes at a time when greater opportunities for young men never existed in any branch of the fighting service. One million volunteers must be in the navy by the end of December in order that the navy can play its part in winning the war. There are about one-third of that number in it now. Consequently many, many promotions will come to the fellows who enter the navy now, and every boy that enlists now will have hundreds of thousands of others come in later under him."

The navy's part in winning the war is of first importance. The United States could not now be fighting in France were it not for naval power, nor could we send food to France, or even maintain coastwise traffic. Great work has been done by our navy in keeping the road to France open, but to continue doing so, the navy must have men. They are needed urgently, because the road to France is the vital spot of the whole war. Our armies can lose ground without disaster, but to lose the road to France would be ruin. It has been said on good authority that by the end of 1918 naval crews of from 25 to 1,800 men each will be required for a total of 1,350 warships and transports.

The opening of petty officer training schools to enlisted men in the navy marks another great opportunity for young men, and similarly the naval aviation section offers mechanics a lifetime chance to serve their country and learn a fine trade besides. The petty officer schools are open to the average navy recruit three weeks after he enlists, and after passing entrance examinations, which are not hard, he can win a petty officer rating in two months. Ordinarily, this promotion required two or three years' service at sea to obtain.

43 Called to the Colors

Following is a list of the forty-three registrants who have been called to the colors. They are asked to report in Mt. Vernon on Sunday, June 23, and will leave the following Monday for the training camp:

Cyrus F. Todd, Monett.
William N. Stells, Mt. Vernon.
Richard M. O'Kelley, Ash Grove.
Geo. S. Langston, Aurora.
R. W. Grenhagen, Jr., Aurora.
Emil C. H. Koenemain, Hoberg.
Wm. E. Whittenburg, Miller.
Gus Gates, Aurora.
Albert H. Rausch, Monett.
A. W. McVey, Miller.
Tom Williams, Mt. Vernon.
Ben F. Ellerback, Aurora.
Joseph W. Viney, Verona.
John J. Harrigan, Forest Park.
Eugene Wilfley, Aurora.
Arwell Johnson, Miller.
Robert Call, Everton.
James B. Frost, Verona.
Finas R. Hilton, Aurora.
James N. Faucett, Mt. Vernon.
Paul E. Moose, Aurora.
John Chandler, Wentworth.
John L. Dyer, Ash Grove.
Edward E. Anderson, Stotts City.
Earl F. Garoutte, Marionville.
Gary Gayer, Mt. Vernon.
Geo. H. Stoddell, Aurora.
Fenton L. Sullivan, Aurora.
Clinton C. Marsh, Aurora.
Carl Holle, Freistatt.
Delmar Charum, Bowers Mill.
Wm. M. Deckard, Marionville.
Walter R. Bridges, Wentworth.
James R. McFall, Marionville.
Tom Anderson, Stotts City.
V. D. Whitson, Pelee City.
J. C. Garoutte, Mt. Vernon.
Leo N. Mais, Verona.
Leslie B. Shelton, Phelps.
C. P. Freat, Marionville.
John G. Vandergriff, Mt. Vernon.
Louis Erke, Freistatt.
Geo. C. Roper, Aurora.

Send Magazines to Soldiers

Arrangements have been made whereby the soldiers may be furnished with magazines at a postage rate of 1 cent. Any magazine, which has a reading notice on it to that effect, will be sent to some training camp if it is mailed without address and with a 1-cent stamp affixed by the sender. Old magazines are not acceptable. Send current numbers of magazines as soon as you have finished reading them. Monett people have been careless in taking advantage of this ruling and very few magazines go through the Monett postoffice in this way. When you are through with a magazine, remember how acceptable good reading is to the boys in camp and send it out where it can do the most good.

W. E. Smiley and Sam Pittman

have returned from a short fishing trip to White river.

AURORA NURSE LEFT TABRIZ
BEFORE TURK OCCUPATION

Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Wells, of Aurora, parents of Miss Jean Wells, Red Cross nurse, who is in charge of the American hospital at Tabriz, Persia, have received word that their daughter and the other nurses and Americans left the hospital May 30 before it was seized by the Turks. Miss Wells has many friends here, having practiced her profession here for a number of years. She left here last October to accept the position in the hospital in Persia. Her friends have been deeply concerned over her safety since news of the sacking of Tabriz by the Turks was received here.

The War Department has informed Miss Wells' parents that all the nurses and missionaries from that town are safe under the care of the British troops.—Springfield Republican.

Glennon Maher Hurt in Runaway

While hauling a load of furniture belonging to Herbert Bass Thursday evening, a chair fell on the horse, frightening it, and Glennon Maher, son of Ed Maher, who was driving, was thrown between the horse and shafts, but received only slight injuries. Spectators say it was a miracle that the boy was not killed.

The runaway frightened another horse coming back of it and it ran northeast of town, the carriage being tipped over in the ditch this side of John Callan's. There were five occupants in the carriage—John Joseph Henry, Irene and Luella Johnson, Eva Moad and little brother. All escaped without injuries.

Red Cross Picnic at Pioneer July 4

A Red Cross picnic will be held at the beautiful grove at Pioneer by the ladies of the Pioneer branch of the Red Cross for the purpose of helping the boys at camp and overseas.

They will serve sandwiches, pie, coffee, ice cream and cake.

Good speakers have been secured. The Pioneer band will furnish music. The children and others will do their part with recitations and songs, and altogether it will be an enjoyable and social day.

This is strictly the work of the Red Cross and no other concessions will be granted or allowed.

MRS. NANNIE FRANCIS,
Chairman Red Cross Committee.

George Vineyard Drowned

A Monett young man, in a letter to his mother today, told of the death of George Vineyard at Camp Dodge, Ia.

He said that George Vineyard had been missed from the camp Saturday night and was found Sunday morning in the Des Moines river. Suicide is suspected.

Mrs. P. C. Callaway and son, Edgar, of Muskogee, Ok., came this morning for a visit with Mr. and Mrs. H. I. Bradford and family. She will go from here to Seagrove, Mo., to visit her parents.

Pays \$1,200 for Hereford Cow

The cow that brought the top price at the Hereford sale at Pelee City last week was bought by George Wormington, of Sarcoxie, for \$1,200. Mr. Wormington is a modest man and said he did not want his name mentioned in the matter, but it should be known who the owner of this high-priced animal is.

The sale was attended by all the Hereford breeders of this neighborhood and everything put up for sale brought big prices.—Sarcoxie Record.

He Had the Strength

Mrs. Bridelove—"I'm afraid the biscuits are heavy, darling!"
Mr. Bridelove—"That's all right, angel; I only have to lift one at a time."—The People's Home Journal.

C. C. Miller and Eli Marshall took a picnic party composed of the following to Pioneer Friday: Mrs. Elwood Ash, Mrs. Sam Rittenhouse and children, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Clinton and son, Mrs. V. E. Clinton and children, Fern Viles and Billie Ash. Harry Miller and Lee Adams drove down after a part of the picnickers in the evening.

Mrs. Otto Karn and children, of Tulsa, Ok., are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Monett Myer. They will go from here to Anderson to visit Mrs. Karn's mother.

Mrs. Jim Judkins visited here Thursday evening and went to Fort Scott, Kan., Friday morning for a visit with her sister, Mrs. Ben Cooper. Ross Stuckey, candidate for county collector on the Republican ticket, was in town this week soliciting the support of Monett citizens.

The ice cream social given Friday evening at the home of W. H. Lipe, in South Monett, was a success and \$14.08 was realized for the benefit of the Red Cross Unit.

W. N. Randolph, of Tulsa, Ok., will come Sunday for a visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. J. Randolph.

Wm. Gunderman was called to Nebraska this week by the news of the death of his brother.

CLAIR JOHNSON UNINJURED
IN AUTOMOBILE ACCIDENT

Clair Johnson, 5 years old, received only slight injuries Friday evening between 5 and 6 o'clock, when Fred Salzer, who was driving north on Fourth street, ran into the boy. The car was moving slowly and was stopped almost instantly, preventing a serious accident. Clair stepped from the car he was in and went back of it and was going across the street to the postoffice and did not see the car coming until it was too late.

He was taken to West's hospital, but no serious injuries were found. He received two bumps on the head and a bruise on the shoulder.

Enjoy Evening With J. H. Otterman

On Thursday evening, the pastor and deacons of the Baptist church, with their families, gathered at the home of J. H. Otterman, who is in a serious condition with Bright's disease.

They enjoyed a social hour, followed by delicious refreshments of ice cream and cake, after which, by request of Mr. Otterman, a period of worship was enjoyed. This consisted of song, prayer and talks by H. S. Horine, J. E. Harvey and Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Spain, who expressed their appreciation of the work and life of Mr. Otterman in the church.

Mr. Otterman also made a very inspiring talk, exhorting all to live better Christian lives and explaining portions of the Bible of which he has made a study for 35 years. He has made a special study of prophecy for 25 years and has been peculiarly blessed with wisdom and inspiration.

The service was brought to a close by a very touching prayer by the pastor, W. A. Todd.

Friday Was Longest Day of Year

Friday was the longest day of the year. The length of daylight from sunrise to sunset was 14.7 hours, the sun rising at 5:53 a. m. and setting at 8:36 p. m.

The earth's path around the sun is not an exact circle, but an ellipse, with the sun in one focus. The axis of the earth is not perpendicular to its path, but makes an angle of 66½ with it, and this axis remains parallel to itself as the earth revolves about the sun.

This causes an apparent migration of the sun northward from December 21 to June 21, and southward from June 21 to December 21. The sun is directly overhead at noon on March 21 at the equator, on June 21 at the Tropic of Cancer, on September 23 at the equator and December 21 at Tropic Capricorn.

This migration of the sun through 47 degrees causes decided changes in the directness of the sun's rays and in the length of the day.

Picnic at "Meadow Mere"

A crowd of girls walked out to "Meadow Mere" farm, north of town, Thursday evening and enjoyed a picnic supper on the lawn. After the supper they sang songs, accompanied by the sweet strains of ukuleles. Late in the evening they returned to the city and serenaded a number of their friends. In the party were Misses Eva Marie Dunnegan, Juanita Otterman, Mildred Callaway, Anna Jacobs, Pauline Mansfield and Viola McFadden.

Mrs. Will Bouldin, who has been visiting Mr. and Mrs. S. D. Bouldin and family, left this morning for a visit with Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Bouldin and family, at Joplin. She will return, after a few days' stay, to her home at Tulsa, Ok.

Mr. and Mrs. Beauchamp, accompanied by her niece, Miss Windle, of Kansas City, and Ave Hay, of Loring, Kan., motored to Eureka Springs, Ark. Thursday by way of Roaring river and back by way of Seligman. They report a wonderful trip.

In the fire Thursday afternoon that consumed the home of Herbert Bass, all the household goods were saved except some bed clothing on the second floor. The fire caught from an oil stove.

Ernest Williams, who lives on G. W. McIntosh's place, was thrown from a wagon Thursday, when a team of mules ran away, and his hand was badly cut on a barb wire fence.

Fifteen sheep belonging to Chester Sands, of near Cassville, were killed by lightning June 12, as they were congregated under a tree, during an electric storm.

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Misses Anna and Letha Walton are visiting over Sunday with relatives at Diamond.

Miss Madge Shriver, of Springfield, visited Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Shriver Friday and Saturday.

Mrs. A. L. Granger went to Ridgely Saturday to visit her daughter, Mrs. R. T. Judd.

Miss Jessie Ferguson is visiting over Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. J. C. DuBuque at Springfield.

Mrs. G. R. Wilcox and niece, Miss Effie Trummel, of Quincy, La., are visiting Mr. Wilcox in Kansas City. He is relieving a man at that place for three weeks.

Miss Hortense Dwyer and brother, John, are visiting relatives at Oklahoma City.

Earl Hobbs and Russell Cole are visiting friends in Springfield for the day.

Miss Ore de Bordeaux, of Springfield, is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Whitney.

The infant of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Hile was buried in a country cemetery Friday. Henry Hile is in training camp at Camp Dodge, Ia.

Mrs. Julia Freeland will entertain a number of relatives and friends at dinner this evening at her home on Third street.

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